

FINANCIAL.

Yesterday was the fourth, and the banks were busy as usual. The report collections quite satisfactory. In the street, however, there was a complaint that the banks were "tight." The weather and the state of the streets still obstructing supplies of cotton, there was only a moderate supply and from the inquiry for it, hardly enough to meet current wants. At banks money quoted at 10 per cent. per annum; exchange quoted on New York and London at 100; discount on New England sight, with three days grace, 5 per cent.; New Orleans, 4 discount; selling at all points at par. The New York market, Tuesday, reports: "The rates of exchange at the under mentioned places on New York were: Savannah, 100; New Orleans, 100; Cincinnati, 100; St. Louis, 100; Chicago, 100; St. Paul, 100; Milwaukee, 100. The movement inaugurated by the banks of New York and St. Louis, seven months ago to take advantage of the good times then evidently at hand is now seen by some of them to have a terrible mistake. These operators bought largely of stocks of all kinds, and have carried their load ever since, but the sliding scale that the advent of the "new normal" would very soon relieve them. Prices have been held up above their natural level, but the upward movement does not come, and only unremitting watchfulness prevents a fall. The Baltimore market, Monday, is quiet, and the gold market did not exhibit any violent or very wide fluctuations during the past week. The "resolving" rate, 100, after which there was a decline to 101 1/2 on the second of April. A rapid reaction took place, and on the fourth of April, 101 1/2 was marked, the highest point reached during the year. On the sixth of October, the lowest point (100) was reached, and the influence of the silver agitation, the rate was up to 103 1/2 on the thirteenth of December. Between that date and yesterday the price was again down to 102 1/2, and the last price was 102 1/2. The gold value of the greenback has been pushed up to 21-100 cents, and of the silver dollar 41 1/2 cents, 90 to 100 cents. The only market feature in the commercial section is the disposition to take a cheerful view of the prospects for the early future. The St. Louis Republic, of Wednesday, says: "The most common comment on the business of the year just closed has been stereotyped into an expression of complaint of dullness, and everybody has felt poor and despondent. Business has been reduced by the diminished supply of money, which has been reduced by many industries formerly employing labor have ceased or been reduced; and there has come the dullness of the winter season. The movement at the ports was reported as follows:

Exports.	Imports.
Wool, 1,781	Wool, 1,781
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New Orleans steady; offerings put at 10 1/2 for middling. Sales, 10,500 bales; receipts, 972 bales. Good, 10 1/2; middling, 11 1/2; 11-16; good middling, 11 1/2. Tote of the market: 10-10 1/2; quiet and firm; 12-18; quiet; 2-30; quiet and steady; quotations revised; 3-55; unchanged. Sales, 290 bales. The following are the closing rates in New York futures yesterday and the day before:

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Paris, January 4.—Bonds, 108 1/2. NEW ORLEANS, January 4.—Gold, 102 1/2; New York, 101 1/2; 100 1/2. Sterling exchange, 48 1/2.

NEW YORK, January 4.—Money at 10 per cent. per annum, closing at 10 1/2 per cent. Prime commercial paper nominal. Cotton receipts, \$2,500,000. The assistant treasurer distributed \$1,500,000. Clearings, \$10,000,000. Sterling exchange, 48 1/2; short, 48 1/2. Gold goods in the market at 102 1/2. Carrying rates, 7 per cent. Gold bonds, 102 1/2. Silver at London unchanged; here, silver bars, 110 1/2; gold bars, 110 1/2; gold coins, 102 1/2. Government bonds, 102 1/2. Coupons of 1881, 106 1/2; of 1885, 102 1/2; of 1890, 105 1/2; of 1895, 105 1/2; of 1900, 105 1/2; of 1905, 105 1/2; of 1910, 105 1/2; of 1915, 105 1/2; of 1920, 105 1/2; of 1925, 105 1/2; of 1930, 105 1/2; of 1935, 105 1/2; of 1940, 105 1/2; of 1945, 105 1/2; of 1950, 105 1/2; of 1955, 105 1/2; of 1960, 105 1/2; of 1965, 105 1/2; of 1970, 105 1/2; of 1975, 105 1/2; of 1980, 105 1/2; of 1985, 105 1/2; of 1990, 105 1/2; of 1995, 105 1/2; of 2000, 105 1/2; of 2005, 105 1/2; of 2010, 105 1/2; of 2015, 105 1/2; of 2020, 105 1/2; of 2025, 105 1/2; of 2030, 105 1/2; of 2035, 105 1/2; of 2040, 105 1/2; of 2045, 105 1/2; of 2050, 105 1/2; of 2055, 105 1/2; of 2060, 105 1/2; of 2065, 105 1/2; of 2070, 105 1/2; of 2075, 105 1/2; of 2080, 105 1/2; of 2085, 105 1/2; of 2090, 105 1/2; of 2095, 105 1/2; of 2100, 105 1/2; of 2105, 105 1/2; of 2110, 105 1/2; of 2115, 105 1/2; of 2120, 105 1/2; of 2125, 105 1/2; of 2130, 105 1/2; of 2135, 105 1/2; of 2140, 105 1/2; of 2145, 105 1/2; of 2150, 105 1/2; of 2155, 105 1/2; 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